United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of New York

Manhatten Division

RHONDA GOSSELIN'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION IN LIMINE [#10093]

TO THE HONORABLE MARTIN GLENN UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Claimant Rhonda Gosselin files her Opposition to the Motion[Document Number 10093] in Limine, giving good reason to <u>deny</u> the Motion[#10093]:

I. RESPONSES AND OPPOSITION

- 1. Admitted that the pretrial order[#9959] specified that the memoranda and direct testimony were to be exchanged by September 1.
- 2. Also admitted that an extension was agreed to by moving counsel and it was until September 8 before it was provided. Denied that there has any prejudice for the delay.
- 3. Admitted that a joint pretrial order was submitted on June 17, 2016, and the matter was scheduled for September 15, 2016, at 9:00 a.m..
 - 4. Admitted.
 - 5. Admitted.
 - 6. Admitted.
- 7. Movant cites Max Impact, LLC v. Sherwood Group, No. 09-cv-902 (S.D. New York, March 7, 2014) for authority. The opinion refers to *Patterson v. Balsamico*, 440 F.3d 104, 117 (2d Cir. 2006) which "identified four factors to be considered in determining whether preclusion is an appropriate sanction: (1) the party's explanation for the failure to comply with the [disclosure obligation]; (2) the importance of the testimony of the precluded [evidence]; (3) the prejudice suffered by the opposing party as a result of having to prepare to meet the new testimony; and (4) the possibility of a continuance." In

this case, the delay, while it was partly due because Ms. Gosselin was not able to continue on Sept 1, was also due to the continued effects the undersigned suffers after a stroke, which led him to withdraw and only agreed to reappear when Ms. Gosselin was unable to find any attorney to prosecute her claim. The importance of the testimony was clearly paramount; although Ms. Gosselin's testimony from her deposition and the exhibits are a substitution, movant simply wishes to hit a home run. There is no real prejudice despite its claim. There is no suggestion that Ms. Gosselin is seeking to introducing anything that is not already on the record, and the deposition has been in its hands for months if not years. Finally, there is no suggestion that a continuance would not be adequate to cure any such delay in preparation.

- 8. Movant simply recites a litany without giving any real reasons that it is prejudiced in its preparation.
- 9. Denied that movant has been prejudiced. Almost every exhibit was to be introduced by the reorganized debtors.
- 10. The Court should give a reasonable consideration under the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended. There is no real prejudice aside from the offence to the schedule, and as the recent status report[#10096] makes it clear, the ResCap Borrower Claims Trust has only 25 unresolved claims, and its schedule would clearly allow for a continuance if the Court orders.

II. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Rhonda Gosselin, creditor, asks that the Motion be <u>denied</u>, and for such other and further relief as the Court should find merited in the interests of

justice.

Dated: September 13, 2016

Respectfully Submitted for Rhonda Gosselin

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